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width based on said message type, said communication channel assigned by said communication system.

21. A subscriber unit as claimed in claim 20 wherein said communication channel includes a plurality of time slots within time division multiplexed (TDM) frames, and wherein said bandwidth is based on a number of said time-slots of said plurality allocated per each of said TDM frames. 5

22. A subscriber unit that sends data messages comprising: 10

a user interface that includes a keypad and display;
a memory for storing operational instructions, said data messages and a set of personal preferences;

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a processor for reading said operational instructions from said memory and transferring data to process in conjunction with said user interface for reading a schedule and organizing said data messages by subscriber preferred send times; and

a transceiver for receiving updates from a communication system, said updates including low traffic times and most economical times for transmission of said data messages, and transmitting said data messages at one of either said low traffic times, said most economical times, or said subscriber preferred send times depending on said set of personal preferences.

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